

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Election/Restrictions

1. Claims 87-90, 92-95, 103-104, 108-111, 122-123, 125-127, and 134-151, and 154-157 are allowed. The restriction requirements among species, as set forth in the Office actions mailed on 3/17 and 6/14/06, have been reconsidered in view of the allowability of claims to the elected invention pursuant to MPEP § 821.04(a). **The restriction requirements are hereby withdrawn as to any claim that requires all the limitations of an allowable claim.** Claims 91, 96-102, 105-107, 112-121, 124, 128-133, 152 and 153, directed to indicated species are no longer withdrawn from consideration because the claim(s) requires all the limitations of an allowable claim.

In view of the above noted withdrawal of the restriction requirement, applicant is advised that if any claim presented in a continuation or divisional application is anticipated by, or includes all the limitations of, a claim that is allowable in the present application, such claim may be subject to provisional statutory and/or nonstatutory double patenting rejections over the claims of the instant application.

Once a restriction requirement is withdrawn, the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 121 are no longer applicable. See *In re Ziegler*, 443 F.2d 1211, 1215, 170 USPQ 129, 131-32 (CCPA 1971). See also MPEP § 804.01.

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Strodthoff on 11/26/07.

The application has been amended as follows:

Cancel broad claim 155.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 87-154 and 156-157 are allowed.

3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

After carefully reviewed the Applicant's arguments and newly amended claims in paper filed 10/5/07, and updated prior art of record, the Examiner finds that the Applicant's arguments and newly added limitations are reasonable and strongly persuasive. Therefore, they place the application in condition for allowance. The primary reason for the indication of the allowability of the above claims is the inclusion therein, in combination as currently claimed as a whole, of the limitation of the method of making a semiconductor package including the step of having a standoff attached on the surface of the chip, the standoff being exposed and formed on only part of the die with a portion of the die surface exposed (there is no first die, in claims 87 and 89, for example, only a

die.) This limitation is found in the above claims and is neither disclosed nor taught by the prior art of record, alone or in combination.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nathan W. Ha whose telephone number is (571) 272-1707. The examiner can normally be reached on M-TH 8:00-7:00(EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Wael Fahmy can be reached on (571) 272-1705. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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